

MINUTES

**Meeting of the Hunter College Senate
6 November 1991**

	The 268th meeting of the Hunter College Senate was convened at 4:20 P.M. in Room W714.	1 2
Presiding:	Elizabeth K. Beaujour, Chair	3
Attendance:	The elected members of the Senate, with the exception of those listed in Appendix I.	4 5
	The Agenda was adopted, there having been no objection.	6
Report by the President:	President LeClerc reported as follows:	7
	He said: "I would like to begin by asking the Senate to observe a moment of silence in memory of the son of David Abner, the head carpenter at Hunter, who died tragically last Thursday. David's son Jamal was fifteen years old, and I am grateful that so many of Hunter's faculty, administrators and staff were able to attend his wake and funeral on Monday and Tuesday of this week. A moment's silence on the part of the Senate will help express to Mr. Abner and his family our great sorrow over his loss.	8 9 10 11 12 13 14
	I have no specific news to report on changes in this year's budget situation for the college but will probably have something to tell you on this score by the time of the Senate's next meeting.	15 16 17
	Some good news that I can share with you is that Dorothy Epstein, an alumna of the college, where she studied history, is giving us a major gift to endow a distinguished professorship in the field of Latin American history. We are working on a small number of such endowed chairs; this is the first to come through, and I anticipate that the History Department will begin recruiting to fill this professorship by next September.	18 19 20 21 22 23
	I can also report that on October 29th, I met with our alumni chapter in Chicago and on Saturday, November 2nd, I met with the alumni chapter in New Jersey. As you can well imagine, the college's graduates constitute our principal, and nearly exclusive, source of gifts and it is important that they hear from us on a regular basis about the Hunter of 1991. There is a good possibility that a major gift will come our way, eventually, as a consequence of these two recent trips.	24 25 26 27 28 29 30
	I know that the Senate has important business to conduct this afternoon, so let me stop there and take your questions."	31 32
	President LeClerc's announcement that a member of the Senate, Sandy Clarkson, ran the Marathon in five hours was followed by a round of applause.	33 34
Report by the Administrative Committee:	Professor Beaujour presented the report as follows:	35
	<u>Special Election to fill vacant seats on the Senate: Additional nominations</u>	36
	The additional nominees for vacant students seats were:	37
	Charles Naylor (non-matric) graduate	38
	Arlene King (Psychology) Day	39
	The motion to instruct the Secretary to cast a single ballot in favor of both candidates carried by hand vote.	40 41
	<u>Election of Ombudsman</u>	42
	Professor Beaujour presented the "Voting Procedures for the Election of Ombudsman, as distributed. In accordance with the "Procedures," each candidate was introduced and had the opportunity to give a brief presentation.	43 44 45
	Written ballots were distributed for Round 1.	46

	While awaiting the results of voting by written ballot, the Senate moved on to the next item of business.	47 48
Old Business:	The motion on the floor was Prof. Gilpatrick's resolution (see <u>Minutes</u> , 23 October 1991, lines 167-199).	49 50
	Prof. Polsky moved the following substitute motion:	51
	"Be it resolved, that the Graduate Course of Study Committee shall, by November 1992, report to the Senate on the efforts of each graduate program or school to incorporate issues relating to diversity and pluralism in the curriculum. The Committee may choose to present recommendations at that time for encouraging appropriate curriculum innovation that would further attention to the issues."	52 53 54 55 56 57
	After discussion the question on the motion to substitute was called and carried by hand vote.	58 59
	The motion to substitute carried by hand vote.	60
	Prof. Polsky's motion was approved by hand vote.	61
	<u>Ombudsman Election Results:</u>	62
	Round 1 of voting by written ballot produced the following results:	63
	Total # of valid ballots cast: 112	64
	Total # of votes needed to be elected: 75	65
	Barbara Hampton: 70 votes	66
	Jo Kirsch: 54 votes	67
	Giuseppe DiScipio: 60 votes	68
	Professor Kirsch withdrew her name from the ballot.	69
	Written ballots were distributed for Round 2.	70
	While awaiting the results of voting by written ballot, the Senate moved on to the next item of business.	71 72
New Business:	Professor Weinberg moved that the Senate reconsider implementing a plus/minus grading system.	73 74
	Professor Beaujour informed the Senate that this would have to go through the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee.	75 76
	After discussion, Professor Korn, Chair of the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee, suggested that he be instructed to prepare a report for the Senate, summarizing the issues based on the last discussion. The Senate could discuss this report, perhaps in a committee-of-the-whole, and the Undergraduate Academic Requirements Committee could then weigh the alternatives and come up with recommendations.	77 78 79 80 81 82
	After discussion it was moved that Prof. Weinberg's motion be amended by a substitute motion directing Professor Korn to prepare such a report for discussion by the Senate in December or at the first meeting in February.	83 84 85
	The amendment was accepted by the mover. There having been no objection it became the main motion on the floor.	86 87
	The question was called and carried.	88
	The motion was approved by hand vote.	89
	Professor Fox presented the following motion:	90
	"That the Graduate Academic Requirements Committee be instructed to consider a plus/minus grading system, taking into account procedures that exist elsewhere in the system, and subsequently report to the Senate."	91 92 93

After brief discussion, the question was called and carried.	94
The motion was approved by hand vote.	95
<u>Ombudsman Election Results</u>	96
Round 2 of voting by written ballot produced the following results:	97
Total # of valid ballots cast: 111	98
Total # of votes needed to be elected: 74	99
Barbara Hampton: 71 votes	100
Giuseppe Di Scipio: 75 votes.	101
Professor Di Scipio (Romance Languages) was elected Ombudsman.	102
A motion to adjourn carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.	103

Respectfully submitted,



Ken Sherrill,
Secretary

APPENDIX I

The following members were noted as absent from the meeting:

FACULTY:

Academic Skills: Janice Montague
Anthropology: Josh DeWind
Thomas McGovern
Art: Joel Carrera
Black & P.R. Studies: Tony Job
Chemistry: William Sweeney
William Grossman
Klaus Grohmann
Communications: Tom Mader
Alonzo Speight
Fulton Ross
Computer Science: Virginia Teller "E"
Tamer Avcilar
Curriculum & Teaching: Alene Smith
Economics: Eric Seeley
Howard Chernick
David Elkin
English: Karen Greenberg
Sybil Brinberg
Geology & Geography: Richard Liebling
Sara McLafferty
Health & Phys. Education: Nana Koch "E"
Music: Jana Feinman
Ruth DeFord
Paul Mueller "E"
Physics & Astronomy: Al Bennick "E"
Political Science: Keith Lawrence
Psychology: Peter Moller "E"
Michele Paludi
Romance Languages: Diana Conchado "E"
Social Work: Irwin Epstein
Sociology: Naomi Kroeger
Special Education: Anna Rossell
Theatre & Film: Daniel Koetting
Urban Affairs: Stanley Moses

STUDENTS:

Addis Tadesse
Erica Chinzhenzva
Kristine Campolongo
Debra Haywood
Arthur Peeples
Robert Nisonoff
Hui-Chiung Tseng
Pamela Poland
D. James Hong
Jongding Wang
Mary Cotter
Alph Edwards
Jamilah Jennings
Charles Glasser
Evrard Duplan
Wilfred LaSanta
Denise Singh
Alexsandra Markovic "E"
Marc Haynes
Tim Rutgers
Alex Blangiardo
Tanya Anticevic
Dorothy Waters
Alessandre Singher-Amram
Dynnah Barthold
James L. Painter
Michael Muyot "E"
Kristin McCarthy "E"
Sherrill-Anne Lovell

Dean Carlos Hortas
Vice Pres. Barry Kaufman

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Black & P.R. Studies:	Pedro Lopez-Adorno Tony Job		
Chemistry:	William Sweeney "E" Klaus Grohmann	STUDENTS:	
Classics:	Robert Koehl	Addis Tadesse Stacey Smith Erica Chinzhenzva Kristine Mancenido Helen Pouliasis "E" Sigrid Cotto Kristine Campolongo "E" Scott Lessard "E" Debra Haywood Efua Morgan Arthur Peeples Ian Yeager Robert Nisonoff Patricia Smith D. James Hong Dionne Monsanto Jongding Wang Francesca Burgess Alph Edwards Paul Mittleman Jamilah Jennings Jean Innocent Annette Walters Charles Glasser Esther Susswein Evrard Duplan Simon A.J. Kamara Wilfred LaSanta Amy Kossoy "E" Richard Baldwin "E" Denise Singh Daniel Deihle Alexandra Markovic "E" Alex Blangiardo Tanya Anticevic Alessandre Singher-Amram "E" Jason Chang Dyannah Barthold James L. Painter Kristin McCarthy Sherrill-Anne Lovell	
Communications:	Tom Mader Alonzo Speight Fulton Ross "E"		
Computer Science:	Virginia Teller		
Curriculum & Teaching:	Tony Picciano		
Economics:	Eric Seeley Howard Chernick David Elkin		
Educational Foundations:	Joan Buxbaum Kimberly Kinsler		
English:	Eve Leoff		
Geology & Geography:	Richard Liebling Sara McLafferty		
Health Sciences:	Khursheed Navder		
Library:	Julio Hernandez-Delgado		
Mathematics & Statistics:	Barry Cherkas		
Music:	Jana Feinman		
Nursing:	Jo Kirsch "E"		
Physics & Astronomy:	Al Bennick "E"		
Political Science:	Keith Lawrence		
Psychology:	Michele Paludi		
Romance Languages:	Diana Conchado "E" Marithelma Costa Jeanine Plottel "E" Giuseppe DiScipio		
Social Work:	Marsha Martin Andrea Savage Jayne Silberman		
Special Education:	Marsha Lupi Anna Rossell		